	No. of beneficiaries identified	
	1993-94	1994-95
1. Thrift Fund Scheme	957	..
2. Health Package Scheme	..	1900

District-wise details are maintained at the State Level. Government of India releases money to the State Government on the basis of proposals received for the State as a whole.

Increase in Export Quota of Madhya Pradesh for powerloom Cloth Export

2042. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: SHRI RAM GOPAL YADAV: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to increase the export quota of Madhya Pradesh for export of powerloom cloth;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VANKAT SWAMY): (a) Export quota for textiles are not fixed on a state-wise basis.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Setting up of Jute Mills in Punjab

2043. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up Jute Mills in the country particularly in Punjab during 1994-95;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise/District-wise;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) what effective measures Government propose to take for setting up more such mills during the Eighth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) At present there are enough capacity with existing jute mills in the country for manufacturing of traditional jute packaging materials both to meet export demand and for internal consumption.

(d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.

Action Plan for Modernisation of Cotton Industry

2044. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to State:

(a) whether Government have formulated any action plan for modernisation of cotton industry to improve the quality of fibre; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, by when the action plan is likely to be formulated in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) and (b) The government has drawn up an action plan for the improvement in ginning and pressing industry. The Cotton Corporation of India is the nodal agency to oversee the implementation of the Action Plan. A long-term programme of education, training of management practices, preparation of maintenace manuals is to be taken up in this direction. Similarly, installation of preumatic succession system for conveying kapas through heaps to gin has been contemplated and a few ginneries in the country has been identified for modernisation. This would help cotton industry to improve efficiency and the qualtiy of product.